SUBJECT No. 231.

Feeding charges to stray cattle to be with pound-keeper.

Mr. Linge Gowda, Patel of Nagavala, Mysore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.— The feeding charges recovered in cattle-pounds in villages are first remitted into the Treasury and then refunded again to the pound-keeper. This entails unnecessary delay and the pound-keeper many a time will be in want of funds to feed the impounded cattle. It is therefore prayed that the pound-keeper be allowed to keep with him the feeding charges recovered, remitting to the Treasury only fees on impounded cattle as was formerly being done.

Reply of Government.—The order provides for an imprest. If it is not given, the matter should be represented to the local authorities.

SUBJECT No. 232.

Grant of a commission to persons that impound cattle.

Mr. Lakshminaranappa, Heggaddevankote Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is a long standing question as to why commission should not be paid to persons that impound cattle damaging crops. Early orders may be passed granting a commission of one anna to such persons for each head of cattle impounded.

Reply of Government.—Not necessary or desirable.

SUBJECT No. 233.

Vice-Presidents for Minor Municipalities.

Mr. Venkataramaiya, Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—At present Amildars are the Vice-Presidents of Minor Municipalities. As they have to camp out during several days in each month, non-official Members may be appointed Vice-Presidents of all, or experimentally, of some Municipalities.

Reply of Government.—The New Municipal Regulation provides for this.

SUBJECT No. 234.

Octroi on articles other than piece-goods in Taluk Municipalities to be abolished.

Mr. K. Ramanujaiengar, Gubbi Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The introduction of the levy of octroi duty on certain articles of consumption in Taluk Municipalities is vexatious to the residents and has in no way improved their finances. If members evince greater interest in the management of the Municipal affairs, income derived from other sources may undoubtedly be made to meet both ends. Octroi on cotton piece-goods may be continued and that on kerosene oil, betel-leaves, etc., abolished as it discourages traders in those articles from continuing their trade.

Withdrawn.

SUBJECT No. 235.

Municipal levy of mohatarfa on cloths to be attended with markings on them.

Mr. Chikka Guruva Reddi, Bangalore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In all the Municipalities in levying taxes on cloths, they only mention the number of pieces for which tax has been collected and do not mark the cloths in any way. If the same cloths are taken to some other Municipality, tax is levied for a second time putting poor people into additional expenditure and worry. Such collections may therefore be ordered to be attended by markings on cloths.